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REMARKS

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of this Patent Application, particularly in view of the above Amendment and the following remarks. No additional fee is required for this Amendment as the number of independent claims is less than three, and the total number of claims is not more than twenty.

A Request for Continued Examination and the RCE fee are enclosed.

Request for Telephone Interview

Applicants kindly request the Examiner to contact the undersigned at (847) 490-1400 to schedule a telephone interview, to discuss the merits of this Patent Application.

Amendment to the Claims

Independent Claims 1 and 20 have been canceled, and new Claim 21 has been substituted. Claim 21 finds support in Claims 1, 4, 5, 13 and 14. Dependent claims have been amended to correct dependency or canceled in view of new Claim 21. No new matter has been added to the claims by this Amendment.

For the Examiner's information, new Claim 21 mirrors the independent claim issued in the counterpart European Patent Application.

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Claim Rejections - 35 U.S.C. §103

The rejection of Claims 1, 3, and 5-20 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Nakajima, JP 4-335557, in view of Nakazato et al., EP 0741269, is respectfully traversed. Independent Claims 1 and 20 have been canceled and new Claim 21 has been added.

Nakajima is applied for teaching a cooling installation and Nakazato is applied for teaching feeding cold air both to a heat exchanger and further in the double bottom.

Neither Nakajima nor Nakazato, alone or in combination, provides or suggests Applicants' recited parallel heat exchangers in a housing, that are connected to a cooling feed to cabinet components, that include an individual pump that is connected in the feed line of each of the heat exchangers, and that include an expansion vessel additionally connected in the feed line of an uppermost one of the parallel heat exchangers. Nakajima discloses quite a different cooling system, including a heat exchanger 5 between a single pump 10 and the modules 12 in the remote cabinets (Abstract).

The combination does not provide all elements of new Claim 21.

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The rejection of Claims 2 and 4 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Nakajima, JP 4-335557, in view of Nakazato et al., EP 0741269, and further in view of Schneider, DE 19609687, is moot as these claims have been canceled.

Conclusion

Applicants intend to be fully responsive to the outstanding Office Action. If the Examiner detects any issue which the Examiner believes Applicants have not addressed or resolved in this response, Applicants' undersigned attorney requests a telephone interview with the Examiner.

Applicants sincerely believe that this Patent Application is now in condition for allowance and, thus, respectfully requests early allowance.

Respectfully submitted,



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